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SUBJECT: ROMANIAN PARTICIPATION IN UN NAMIBIA PEACEKEEPING

1. DURING JULY 18-19 DISCUSSIONS WITH ROMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI AND MFA MINISTER-STATE SECRETARY RADULESCU, AMBASSADOR YOUNG RAISED QUESTION OF SOME FORM OF ROMANIAN INVOLVEMENT IN SOUTHERN AFRICA TRANSITION PERIOD. NOTING ROMANIA HAS GREAT CREDIBILITY WITH AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, HE OPINED THAT UN COULD NOT MOVE FORWARD AS IT SHOULD IN HELPING SOLVE SOUTHERN AFRICA PROBLEMS IF ONLY PEACEKEEPERS ARE SCANDINAVIANS, CANADIANS, INDIANS AND FIJIANS.

2. ANDREI REPLIED THAT ROMANIA HAS GOOD RELATIONS WITH SWAPO, AND LAST YEAR SWAPO HAD REQUESTED ROMANIAN PARTICIPATION IN UN FORCE IN NAMIBIA. CEAUSESCU HAD AGREED IN PRINCIPLE, AND AGREEMENT HAD BEEN RATIFIED BY PARTY AND STATE LEADERSHIP. IN GENERAL ROMANIA DOES NOT SEND TROOPS ABROAD -- AND INDEED BELIEVES THAT TROOPS ABROAD SHOULD BE SENT HOME -- BUT NAMIBIA IS SPECIAL SITUATION, SO AGREEMENT HAD BEEN
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GIVEN. IN THIS SPIRIT ANY SUGGESTION FROM SECRETARY GENERAL WOULD BE CAREFULLY ANALYZED. ANDREI SAID HE WOULD TALK TO PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU ABOUT CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG AND REMIND HIM OF THIS BACKGROUND.
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